

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Michigan in particular is in extremely bad shape due to the decimation of high tech jobs and manufacturing jobs leading to the decline of the middle class. This was allowed to happen, and in fact rewarded with tax breaks by the Bush regime. Sinclair Broadcasting by airing an anti-Kerry program with no rebuttal, is attempting to re-elect Bush with my tax dollars - so I am getting shafted twice by these people they are using my money to re-elect a man whose party helped me lose my technology job over two years ago!. These jobs aren't coming back to Michigan while the Republicans are in power.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.